WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 9177

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served December 9, 2005

MEDINA TRANSPORTATION SERVICE,) Case No. MP-2005-110
Trading as MEDINA EXPRESS,)
Suspension and Investigation of)
Revocation of Certificate No. 732)

This matter is before the Commission on respondent's response to Order No. 8982, served September 13, 2005.

Under the Compact, a WMATC carrier may not engage in transportation subject to the Compact if the carrier's certificate of authority is not 'in force.'' A certificate of authority is not valid unless the holder is in compliance with the Commission's insurance requirements.²

Commission Regulation No. 58 requires respondent to insure the revenue vehicles operated under Certificate No. 732 for a minimum of \$1.5 million in combined-single-limit liability coverage and maintain on file with the Commission at all times proof of coverage in the form of a WMATC Certificate of Insurance and Policy Endorsement (WMATC Insurance Endorsement) for each policy comprising the minimum.

Certificate No. 732 became invalid on September 13, 2005, when the \$1.5 million primary WMATC Insurance Endorsement on file for respondent terminated without replacement. Order No. 8982 noted the automatic suspension of Certificate No. 732 pursuant to Regulation No. 58-02, directed respondent to cease transporting passengers for hire under Certificate No. 732, and gave respondent thirty days to replace the expired endorsement or face revocation of Certificate No. 732. Respondent submitted a \$1.5 million primary WMATC Insurance Endorsement on October 14, 2005. The effective date of the new endorsement is September 23, 2005. This means that respondent was without insurance coverage for ten days, from September 13, 2005, through September 22, 2005.

Under Commission Rule No. 28, respondent is required to verify that it ceased transporting passengers for hire under Certificate No. 732 as directed by Order No. 8982. We will give respondent thirty days to verify that it ceased operations as of September 13, 2005. Inasmuch as respondent's general tariff covers service rendered to the general public and to clients of the District of Columbia Department of

¹ Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 6(a).

² Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 7(g).

Health, Medical Assistance Administration, (DC Medicaid), respondent's verification shall be corroborated by evidence from respondent's general business records³ and by confirmation from DC Medicaid.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That within thirty days from the date of this order, respondent shall verify it ceased all operations in the Metropolitan District as of September 13, 2005.
- 2. That within thirty days from the date of this order, respondent shall submit written confirmation from the District of Columbia Department of Health, Medical Assistance Administration, that respondent ceased DC Medicaid operations as of September 13, 2005.
- 3. That within thirty days from the date of this order, respondent shall produce any and all books, papers, correspondence, memoranda, contracts, agreements, and other records and documents, including any and all stored electronically, that are within respondent's possession, custody or control and which relate to the transportation of passengers for hire between points in the Metropolitan District during the period beginning July 1, 2005, and ending on the date of this order, including, but not limited to any and all:
 - a. customer contracts and invoices;
 - b. invoices from other carriers:
 - c. calendars and itineraries;
 - d. bank and payroll records;
 - e. insurance documents;
 - f. advertising materials;
 - q. income tax and personal property returns.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES, MILLER, AND SMITH:

William S. Morrow, Jr. Executive Director

³ <u>See</u> Compact, tit. II, art. XII, § 1(b) (mandating Commission access to carrier records).